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In re application of: **William Bellis SOMERS et al.**
 Serial No.: 09/551,445
 Filed: April 18, 2000
 For: **FOLDING CYLINDER WITH EXPANSION SEGMENT**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a **Response to Final Office Action** (5 pages) in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been previously established.
☐ Applicants assert small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27.
☒ No fee for additional claims is required.
☐ A filing fee for additional claims calculated as shown below, is required:

(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)		SMALL ENTITY		OR	LARGE ENTITY		
FOR:	REMAINING	HIGHEST		RATE	FEE		RATE	FEE	
	AFTER	PREVIOUSLY	PRESENT						
	AMENDMENT	PAID FOR	EXTRA						
TOTAL CLAIMS	* MINUS 20	=	0	x \$ 9	\$		x \$ 18	\$	
INDEP. CLAIMS	* MINUS 3	=	0	x \$ 43	\$		x \$ 86	\$	
[] FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+	\$145	\$	+	\$290	\$
TOTAL:				\$		OR	TOTAL:	\$	

* If the entry in Co. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.

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- ☐ Also transmitted herewith are:
☐ Petition for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136
☐ Other:
- ☐ Check(s) in the amount of **\$0.00** is/are attached to cover:
☐ Filing fee for additional claims under 37 C.F.R. 1.16
☐ Petition fee for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136
☐ Other:
- ☒ The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0552.
- ☒ Any filing fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 for the presentation of additional claims which are not paid by check submitted herewith.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.
- ☒ Any petition fees for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 which are not paid by check submitted herewith, and it is hereby requested that this be a petition for an automatic extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136.

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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In response to the office action dated May 17, 2004, please reconsider the above-identified patent application based on the following remarks: